

from my formal membership on the Small Business Committee, I will never stop being a champion for American small businesses.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

KWEISI MFUME,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted. There was no objection.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE AND TECHNOLOGY

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Science, Space and Technology:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, June 4, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER JOHNSON, I write to inform you that effective immediately I resign from my position on the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology. I have enjoyed my time on the Committee under the leadership of Chairman FRANK LUCAS and wish all my colleagues the best carrying out the People's agenda.

For God and Country,

RYAN ZINKE,
Congressman, MT-01,
52nd U.S. Secretary
of the Interior, Com-
mander, U.S. Navy
SEALs (ret).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted. There was no objection.

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ELECTING MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. McCLAIN. Madam Speaker, by direction of the Republican Conference, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1275

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES: Mr. Higgins of Louisiana.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS: Mr. Zinke and Mr. Moylan.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY: Mr. Fong.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Mr. Fong.

Mrs. McCLAIN (during the reading). Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mrs. McCLAIN. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

ELECTING MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. AGUILAR. Madam Speaker, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1276

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET: Mr. Suozzi.
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS: Mr. Mfume (to rank immediately after Mr. Amo).
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Mr. Deluzio.

Mr. AGUILAR (during the reading). Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HONORING ROBERT J. CASTELLI

(Mr. LAWLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAWLER. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to honor the memory of Robert J. Castelli, a dedicated public servant who passed away at the age of 74.

Robert's remarkable life journey began at 17 when he left high school to serve in the Vietnam war. As a member of the 7th Cavalry Regiment, he displayed extraordinary bravery during major battles, earning multiple commendations, including the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Following his military service, Robert embarked on a 21-year career with the New York State Police and later distinguished himself in academia, teaching at institutions like the John Jay College of Criminal Justice. His commitment to public service continued in the New York State Assembly, where he was a staunch advocate for veterans' affairs.

Beyond his professional life, Robert was a passionate outdoorsman and a member of the Camp Fire Club of America.

Robert is remembered as a soldier, scholar, and statesman. His legacy is cherished by all who knew him.

Robert leaves behind his wife, Jeanette; children, Christian and Paul; and grandchildren. His life of service and leadership will not be forgotten. I cherished the friendship that he and I had over the past many years.

HONORING KIM VAN WIE

(Ms. OMAR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Kim Van Wie, who retires after 28 years of being the executive director of STARBASE Minnesota.

The Department of Defense's STARBASE program spans across 80 bases, providing world-class STEM programming to underserved fifth graders. Under Kim's outstanding leadership, STARBASE Minnesota grew from 2 classrooms to 11 and from 900 students per year to almost 7,000.

I met Kim in 2019 at the STARBASE in St. Paul, where I had the opportunity to witness her inspiration to young scientists and engineers. It is no surprise that two previous graduates served on my constituent staff.

Kim's commitment extends beyond title I students. During COVID, she propelled funding to provide 120,000 STEM kits for students across the region. Kim's selfless service and excellence will forever be celebrated.

It is my privilege and honor to thank Ms. Kim Van Wie for her distinguished career and celebrate her well-deserved retirement.

HONORING PATRICIA "TRICIA" BENNETT ARMSTRONG

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Tricia Armstrong, who passed away on May 26 at the age of 75 years old.

Tricia was a photographer for over 40 years, capturing special moments for people with her smile and boundless energy. She was a member of the Professional Photographers Association of Georgia and would travel the country taking photos and teaching seminars on camera methods.

Tricia was also very involved in bettering her community. She served as president of the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, and she was a trailblazer in the Jesup Kiwanis Club and a founding member of the board of directors for Wayne National Bank, all while serving her church.

Beloved by her community, Tricia will always be cherished the most by her family, whom she loved dearly.

Madam Speaker, I offer my heartfelt condolences to her family. Her positive influence will be felt for generations to come.